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- 3. Applicant is other than a small entity.
- 4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)):

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